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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-39684)  
SUBJECT: JUAN BUENAVENTURA EUGENIO  
FERNANDEZ DE CASTRO RODRIGUEZ, ET AL.  
ROLANDO ARCADE MASFERRER ROJAS - VICTIM  
KIDNAPPING - CONSPIRACY  
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Mrs. CATHERINE TAAFFE, Hotel Bretton Hall, NYC, tele-  
phonically contacted the NYO on 2/19/60 and stated she desired to  
come to the NYO and relate the details of what had happened to  
her in Miami, Florida on 2/12/60. U

Mrs. TAAFFE appeared at the NYO on the afternoon of  
2/19/60 and was interviewed by SAs JOHN FRANCIS CURRAN and FRANCIS  
J. O'BRIEN, at which time she related the incidents and meetings  
both in Havana and Miami with GEORGE VALDES and others relative  
to the plan to kidnap ex-Cuban Senator ROLANDO MASFERRER. U

TAAFFE advised that while at the McAllister Hotel, Miami,  
after the arrest of GEORGE VALDES and JUAN DE CASTRO RODRIGUEZ by  
the Miami Office, she was most careful in her contacts and in her  
telephone conversations. Mrs. TAAFFE advised that on the evening  
of 2/12/60 she had called Room Service to have her tray picked up.  
She stated that about 5 P.M. there was a knock at her door and she  
thought it was a waiter to pick up the tray; she opened the door  
and two Cubans, one small and thin, and the other very husky,  
grabbed her from the back around the neck and hit her shoulder,  
and the huskier of the two stated that she had betrayed the U

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